# Clark County Veterans Advisory Board Meeting Minutes An advisory board to the Clark County Council

July 14, 2022

Chair: Michael Harding Vice Chair: Shannon Roberts Secretary: Bruce Maas

Meeting called to order.

**Roll Call:** [Bold script indicates presence at meeting]

**POST PRIMARY ALTERNATE** 40 et 8 Morris Geisler **Steve Slegers** American Legion #44 **Darren Wertz** John Rose American Legion #168 **Bob Nichols** Michael Gibson American Legion #176 **Thomas Phillips** American Veterans #6 Vanise Pratt John Lovejoy DAV Chapter #4 **Bruce Maas** Tom Cousino Korean War Assoc. #321 Earl Edwards Dixie Hotaling Marine Corps League #826 **Steve Slegers** John Stofiel VFW #4278 Shannon Roberts Dana Difford

VFW #7824 Michael Harding

Vietnam Vets #512 **Greg Whitson** Nick Herber

Members at Large Kelly Jones

Kevin Lawson

Bryan McGillis

Tonya Wark

**Clark County Representative:** Emily Langston

<u>Guests:</u> Janet Snook (Clark County); Sharon Tyre, Laurie Pugh (Clark County Veterans Assistance Center); Joseph Fettig; CVTV23

### Approval of June 9, 2022, meeting minutes

The minutes were approved following a motion from Steve Slegers that was seconded by Darren Wertz.

#### **Committee Reports**

Appeals: None.

**Policies and Procedures:** No discussion

### May 2022, Contractor & Fund Reports

The fund assisted 48 Veteran households. The Veterans Assistance Center received 271 veteran visits. The Free Clinic served 1 veteran. The Fund balance at the end of April was \$852,157.

### **Veterans Assistance Center (VAC) Update**

- In-person Stand Down September 9, 9am-3pm, at River City Church. Showers not available this year. To date, \$21,400 has been donated. Volunteers needed to setup and tear down, Sept. 8, 9
- C-Tran will be distributing passes at the Center on July 21
- Volunteer Sarah will be providing free haircuts on the last Tuesday of the month, beginning July 25
- Paddle for Life August 6
- 2022 Raffle in process. Tickets available at the office. Drawing at Paddle for Life
- Turkey Shoot-Out donated \$15,000 to Stand Down
- CMAC Hero Night collected non-perishable foods for CCVAC

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### **Old Business**

- SWACH contract was renewed for one year at \$15,000
- A meeting to review all Policies and Procedures will be held in August. Date will be determined based on email poll results

### **New Business**

- Homeless Veteran Reintegration Program (HVRP) grant is not available in Clark County for 2 years. Tonya requests veteran organizations support the employment-preparation services lost with the loss of this grant
- WorkSource holding monthly job fairs and is fully open

### **Open Forum**

- The VA is conducting medical appointments in person again. Check your MyVA login
- Suicide hotline is now 988

## <u>Adjourn</u>

Meeting adjourned. Next meeting August 11, 2022